



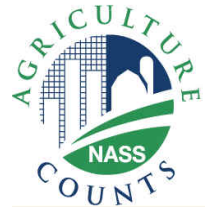
IDAHO CROP & LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS' NEWS

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

United States Department of Agriculture • Washington, DC

Idaho Field Office • P.O. Box 1699 • Boise, Idaho 83701

1-800-691-9987 • www.nass.usda.gov



AUGUST 2006 FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the July Dry Bean Dealers' survey and the August Dry Bean Growers' survey. Acreage, yield, and production are reported for selected states and the United States.

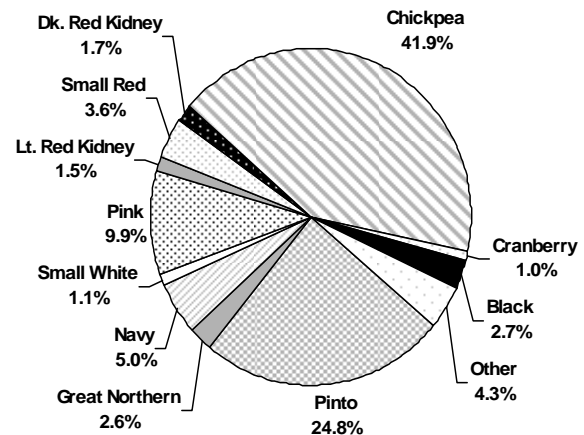
This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

*William R. Meyer
Director*

Idaho Dry Bean Classes

Percent of 2006 Planted Acreage 1/



1/ Percentages do not add to 100 due to rounding.

USDA NASS

Idaho Dry Bean Production Down Slightly from 2005

Idaho's 2006 dry edible bean production is expected to decrease less than one percent from last year. Production is forecast at 1.85 million cwt, down from last year's 1.86 million cwt. Planted acreage, at 105,000, and harvested acreage, at 103,000, are both up 5,000 acres from last year. Increased acres of chickpeas in North Idaho more than offset decreases in other classes of dry beans in Southern Idaho. Yields are expected to average 1,800 pounds per acre, 100 pounds per acre less than last year.

By class, Idaho's chickpea acreage continues to grow rapidly. Chickpea plantings totaled 44,000 acres, up 42 percent from last year's 31,000 acres. Pinto bean plantings decreased 12 percent from last year to 26,000 acres. Planted acreage of pinks decreased 19 percent from last year to 10,400, and navy bean planted acreage decreased 9 percent to 5,200 acres. Small red bean plantings are less than half of last year at 3,800 acres. Black bean planted acreage increased 12 percent from last year to 2,800 acres. Great Northern plantings total 2,700 acres, up 29 percent from last year. Dark red kidney planted acreage is unchanged from last year at 1,800 acres, while light red kidneys are down 20 percent from last year at 1,600 planted acres. Small white planted acreage is 1,200 acres, up 100 acres from last year. Cranberry planted acreage, at 1,000 acres, is up from last year's 800 acres. Planted acreage of other classes total 4,500 acres, up from the 2,500 acres in this category last year.

Nationally, dry edible bean production is expected to total 23.3 million cwt, down 15 percent from last year but 31 percent above 2004. Production is expected to be below last year in 11 of the 18 producing states. Planted acreage, at 1.61 million acres, decreased 3 percent from last year. Harvested acreage is forecast at 1.52 million acres, also down 3 percent from last year. Yields are expected to be 1,534 pounds per acre, a decrease of 210 pounds from last year but 75 pounds more than two years ago. At the U. S. level, planted area of pinto beans is down 18 percent. Great northerns, kidneys, small reds, cranberries, small whites, and limas also declined in planted acreage from last year. Planted area increased from 2005 for chickpeas, navies, blacks, pinks, and blackeyes.

**All Dry Beans Harvested, Yield, and Production --
Selected States and U. S., 2005 and Forecasted August 1, 2006 ^{1/}**

State	Harvested		Yield ^{2/}		Production ^{2/}	
	2005	2006	2005	August 1, 2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>1,000 Cwt.</i>	
California	65.0	65.0	2,130	1,920	1,385	1,248
Colorado	115.0	70.0	1,650	1,900	1,898	1,330
Idaho	98.0	103.0	1,900	1,800	1,862	1,854
Michigan	230.0	220.0	1,700	1,800	3,910	3,960
Minnesota	135.0	130.0	1,800	1,450	2,430	1,885
Nebraska	172.0	130.0	2,250	2,250	3,870	2,925
North Dakota	565.0	600.0	1,520	1,050	8,588	6,300
Oregon	8.8	9.8	2,000	2,100	176	206
Washington	48.0	68.0	1,650	1,900	792	1,292
U.S. Total	1,568.6	1,519.0	1,744	1,534	27,350	23,301

1/ Excludes garden bean seed.

2/ Clean basis.

Dry Bean Acreage Planted by Class -- Selected States and U.S., 2006

Class	CA	CO	ID	MI	MN	NE	ND	OR	WA	U.S.
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>									
Pinto	--	70.0	26.0	5.0	11.4	62.0	428.0	1.0	6.3	670.4
Pink	0.2	--	10.4	--	9.6	--	19.5	--	4.2	43.9
Navy	--	--	5.2	80.0	59.0	3.7	118.0	0.8	0.7	276.4
Small Red	--	--	3.8	20.0	1.7	--	6.0	--	3.5	35.0
Black	0.6	--	2.8	91.5	11.3	3.3	45.0	--	1.0	166.8
Great Northern	--	--	2.7	0.5	--	59.0	7.0	--	--	70.7
Dk. Red Kidney	0.4	--	1.8	4.0	30.0	--	2.0	0.5	1.6	48.5
Lt. Red Kidney	1.9	5.0	1.6	10.5	9.0	9.0	--	--	--	47.0
Small White	--	--	1.2	--	--	--	--	0.4	0.5	2.1
Cranberry	0.8	--	1.0	8.0	--	--	--	--	--	9.8
Chickpea	16.0	--	44.0	--	--	0.8	12.5	3.5	48.5	139.9
Other	47.1	5.0	4.5	5.5	3.0	2.2	2.0	3.8	3.7	96.8
All Dry Beans	67.0	80.0	105.0	225.0	135.0	140.0	640.0	10.0	70.0	1,607.3

A THANK YOU TO ALL IDAHO FARM AND RANCH OPERATORS

*Your cooperation in completing agricultural surveys from this office is greatly **APPRECIATED**. Accurate, useful estimates are vital in decision making. All estimates derived from these surveys, along with other pertinent agricultural data, are published in our regular series of releases. All NASS reports are available free of charge on the worldwide Internet. For access, connect to the Internet and go to the NASS Home Page at: <http://www.usda.gov/nass/>. If you have any questions or require additional information, you may reach us toll free at 1-800-691-9987.*